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## ANIMALS OF THE DEEP SEA.

Professor P. R. Uhler, of the Peabody Institute, Baltimore, lectured last evening at the Maryland Institute upon the above subject. The audience was large and appeared to take a great interest in the subject. The Professor opened by saying that corals were well known to the ancients, who observed them in the Red Sea, the Adriatic, Mediterranean, and the Indian Ocean. Their real nature was not recognized until about the year 1860, when the French Government, who owned the coral fisheries on the coast of Algeria, began to see that the species were becoming exterminated. They desired to ascertain some means of propagating them, and consequently Prof. Lacaze Duthiers was sent on a mission to the native home of this coral with instructions to investigate its life history. He was to remain there a year to discover some ready means of developing it. After remaining eleven months he had met with no clue to its mode of propagation. He had placed numerous forms of all ages in tanks, aquaria and small glass jars, containing sea water, and, by continual watching, either himself or assistants, about the 1st of September for the first time observed the animal to be laying eggs. He found it developed in three ways: by expelling eggs or larvae; by division of a part of the body, or by budding. The lecturer noticed the labors of Prof. Agassiz in the second group of corals, in which no central axis exists and whose internal skeleton is composed of carbonate of lime. He then spoke of his trip to Hayti, to collect animals for Prof. Agassiz, and described somewhat in detail the way in which the small coral islands in the sea adjacent to Corsica were built up. It is composed of dead coral and skeletons of sea animals reaching up to the surface of the water, upon which a surface of soil and debris had accumulated, furnishing a place of lodgment for mangroves, cocoanuts, and a variety of flowering plants, which grew in great luxuriance, and produced a scene of great beauty. He described the coral groves at the bottom of the shallow ocean, and referred to the beautiful fish and other creatures which effected the evers between the coral branches. Prof. Uhler finished by asking the question if we could believe that all this variety in this plan of structure, which had begun in a complex type, and had persisted in that type to the present time, could have been the result of mere physical forces, or whether it did not more distinctly display intelligence superior to that of man. The lecture was beautifully illustrated by diagrams, specimens of corals, etc., which were much admired.

**DON'T WORRY ABOUT YOURSELF.**—The Journal of Health says: To regain or recover health, persons should be relieved from all anxiety concerning diseases. The mind has power over the body. For a person to think he has a disease will often produce that disease. This we see effected when the mind is intensely concentrated upon the disease of another. It is found in the hospitals that surgeons and physicians who make a specialty of certain diseases are liable to die of it themselves; and the mental power is so great that sometimes people die of diseases which they only have in imagination. We have seen a person seise in anticipation of a voyage before reaching the vessel. We have known a person to die of cancer in the stomach when he had no cancer or any other mortal disease. A blindfold man, slightly pricked in the arm, has fainted and died from believing that he was bleeding to death. Therefore, well persons, to remain well, should be cheerful and happy; and sick persons should have their attention drawn as much as possible from themselves. It is by their faith men are saved, and it is by their faith men die. If he will not die if he can live in spite of disease, and if he has little or no anxiety to life he will live away as easily as a child will fall asleep. Men live by their souls, and not by their bodies. Their bodies have no life of themselves; they are only resources of life—tenements of their souls. The will has much to do in continuing the physical occupancy or giving it up.

**THE BISHOP OF MANCHESTER ON THE DRAMA.**—The Bishop of Manchester, with an amount of courage and common sense redounding very much to his credit, has refused to join the general body of the clergy in a sweeping denunciation of the drama. During the course of an address delivered in the city whose name he bears, the Bishop expressed regret that the theatre and the stage, which he said would be always used, are not rescued from abuse, and made what they ought to be—instruments of instruction, refinement and improving the people. The best way in which ministers of religion can help to make the stage such an instrument of evil. Outlawry, said the sensible old Bishop, is occasionally a necessary measure, but it is not supposed generally to have the effect of improving the character and the manners of the outlawed. If such men as the Rev. Mr. Talmage, and other fanatical howlers against an institution which they neither comprehend nor have the scholarship or catholicity to appreciate as a valuable assistant to their own teachings, would take a lesson from the admirable sentiments of a sensible and Christian man like the Bishop of Manchester, it were a good thing for their parishioners and the world at large.

According to an old song preserved in the Harleian manuscripts in the British Museum—

If Crystans on the Saturday falle,  
That wyter ys to be drownded alle;  
Hyt shall be so full of grette tempeste  
That hyt shall be sothe man and beste,  
Fraite and oorn shall fayle grette won,  
And olde folke dyen many on.

Peter Hardie, esq., of Williamsport, Pa., has just finished building a large and handsome church and furnished it in the most elegant manner, with organ and all other matters complete, ready for worship, at a cost of \$160,000. This church, with all its furniture, etc., is formally presented to the Protestant Episcopal Church of Williamsport, on Christmas Day, clear of all encumbrances. A princely present.

## RAILROADS.

W. C. VIRG. MIDLAND & G. S. R. R.

**DOUBLE DAILY TRAINS BETWEEN BALTIMORE AND THE SOUTH AND WEST.**  
Commencing SUNDAY, 7.00 p. m., December 19th, Passenger Trains will run as follows:

SOUTH BOUND.		
Mail Train.	Express.	
Leave Baltimore.....	5.10 a. m.	10.20 p. m.
" Washington.....	8.00 " "	11.38 " "
" Alexandria.....	8.35 " "	12.30 a. m.
" Gordonsville.....	1.10 p. m.	4.53 " "
" Charlottesville.....	1.10 " "	5.51 " "
Arrive at Lynchburg.....	6.30 " "	12.55 p. m.
" Danville.....	9.30 " "	12.55 p. m.

NORTH BOUND.		
Mail Train.	Express.	
Leave Danville daily.....	3.00 p. m.	8.30 " "
" Lynchburg.....	9.40 a. m.	8.30 " "
" Charlottesville.....	1.10 p. m.	12.02 a. m.
" Gordonsville.....	1.10 " "	1.18 " "
Arrive at Alexandria.....	6.50 " "	6.50 " "
" Washington.....	7.30 " "	6.50 " "
" Baltimore.....	9.30 " "	8.40 " "

At Washington, passengers make close connection with all the lines to and from the North and West; at Danville, daily, with South and West; at Lynchburg, twice daily, to Memphis, Atlanta, New Orleans, Arkansas and Texas, and at Gordonsville and Charlottesville, by Mail Train, with Ches. & Ohio R. R., East and West. Twice daily connections to Richmond.

## MANASSAS DIVISION.

Leave Washington daily, except Sunday, at 8.00 a. m., Alexandria at 8.35 a. m., arrive at Strasburg 4.40 p. m., Leave Strasburg at 6.35 a. m., and get at Alexandria at 3.30 p. m.

## WARRENTON BRANCH.

Connection between Warrenton and Main Line, with Mail Train only, leaving Washington 8.00 a. m., Alexandria 8.35 a. m.

## PULLMAN SLEEPERS run through without change between Baltimore and New Orleans.

Leave Lynchburg, East Tennessee and A. S. A. line, leaving Baltimore at 5.10 a. m. Also sleepers between Baltimore and Lynchburg, from Baltimore 10.20 p. m.

Through tickets to Florida, and all the South and West, by the many different lines, at lowest rates. G. J. FORKES, Gen. Manager.

J. M. BROADUS, G. T. A. de 18

## ALEXANDRIA & FREDERICKSBURG RAILWAY.

AND ALEXANDRIA & WASHINGTON RAILROAD.

ALEXANDRIA & FREDERICKSBURG RAILWAY.

After NOV. 21st, 1875, trains will run as follows:

Leave Southward from Alexandria & Fredericksburg depot at 12.07 a. m. Southern Express daily, except Monday. The Southern Express runs through to Richmond without change, connecting at Richmond for all points South.

Leave Northward from Alexandria & Fredericksburg depot at 5.58 a. m. Northern Express daily, except Monday, through Norfolk and West. The Northern Express runs through to Baltimore, without change, connecting with trains on the Northern Central Railway for the North and West.

ALEXANDRIA AND WASHINGTON RAILROAD.

After NOV. 21st, trains will run as follows, daily, except Sunday:

Leave Alexandria for Washington, from St. Asaph street depot, at 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00 a. m., and 1.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00 p. m.

Trains leaving at 6.00, and 10.00 a. m., and 5.00 and 7.00 p. m. run daily; all others daily except Sunday.

The trains leaving Washington at 7, 8 and 11 a. m., 3, 4, 6 and 7 p. m. connect through to Baltimore. The 7, 8 and 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. trains connect at Washington with through New York trains.

Leave Washington for Alexandria and Fredericksburg, from St. Asaph street depot, at 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00 a. m., and 1.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00 p. m.

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## NOTICE.

From December 3d until further notice, the POTOMAC FERRY BOATS will run as follows:

Except on Sundays: At 8, 9.30, 10.30 and 11.30 a. m., and 12.30, 1.30, 2.30, 3.30, 4.30 and 5.30 p. m.  
On Sundays: At 9, 9.30, 10.30 and 11.30 a. m., and 12.30, 1.30, 2.30, 3.30, 4.30 and 5.30 p. m.  
S. S. HOWSON, Pres. P. F. C.

## INLAND & SEABOARD COASTING CO.,

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**JOHN W. THOMPSON.**

Will make SEMI-WEEKLY TRIPS from Washington and Alexandria to the Potomac River, touching at all the principal landings on the Maryland and Virginia shores as follows:

Leave Alexandria, from Janney's wharf, every TUESDAY, at 7 a. m., for Curriemore; returning, arrive at Alexandria Wednesday afternoon.

Leave Saturday morning to Cone river; returning, arrive at Alexandria Sunday afternoon.

For freight or information apply to

**F. A. REED, Agent,**

Janney's wharf.

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## CHANGE OF TIME.

On and after MONDAY, September 20, 1875, the new and elegant steam

**LADY OF THE LAKE**

will make THREE REGULAR TRIPS between Washington and Norfolk each week, touching at the principal River Landings, as follows:

Leave Washington, Monday, at 8 o'clock a. m., and Alexandria at 3.30 p. m., and Norfolk EVERY TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY, at 4 p. m.

Fare to Norfolk \$4; round trip tickets \$6. Meals and Staterooms extra.

Tickets good until used.

For tickets, staterooms or information apply to

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**JOHN GIBSON**, Capt. W. H. Waters

Will leave New York EVERY SATURDAY for this port; and, returning, will leave Alexandria EVERY FRIDAY, at 10 o'clock.

All freight must be on the dock by 9 a. m.

For freight apply to

**Agent, No. 2 Prince Street.**

**J. C. KENYON.**

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220 South St. Pier No. 41 East river.

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AND

POTOMAC RIVER STEAMERS.

The steamer **SUE**, Capt. James Harper, will leave pier 10, Light street, Baltimore, EVERY THURSDAY, at 5 p. m. Returning, will leave Alexandria EVERY MONDAY, at 9 p. m.

Freight will not be received after 4 p. m.

Both steamers will stop each way at their respective river landings.

For further information apply to

**J. BRODERS & CO., Agents,**

11 King street.

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## CLYDE'S STEAM LINES.

PHILADELPHIA, PROVIDENCE AND BOSTON.

Steamers leave Alexandria EVERY TUESDAY, and leave Philadelphia EVERY SATURDAY, at 12 o'clock a. m.

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This line connects at Alexandria with the O. & A. M. and W. & O. R. R., and at Philadelphia with the new and popular "Iron Line," for Providence and Boston.

Freight forwarded with promptness and care, free of commission.

No charge for transfer in Philadelphia, and no wharfage in Boston. Through to Boston in sixty-five hours. Through rates and through bills of lading given. Insurance guaranteed at less than usual rates.

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**GEO. F. HYDE, Georgetown, D. C.**

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